Solid Waste Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes June 4, 2014

In attendance: Peter Blood (Vice Chair), Rolan Clark, Bryan Malseed, Patrick Miglio, Zachery Fleagle, and Phil Harris, Committee Liaison (DSWM).

The televised meeting opened at 6:30 PM with a quorum present, Vice Chair Peter Blood presiding.

The minutes of the April meeting were approved.

Membership:

Chairperson Dawn Adams term on the committee has expired and she tendered her resignation effective immediately. Vice Chair Blood volunteered to serve as Committee Chairman. It was agreed that formal appointment of committee officers would take place at the Annual SWAC meeting in August.

Patrick Miglio was appointed to serve a two year term as the commercial solid waste/recycling company representative on the committee.

Zachary Fleagle was appointed to serve a two year term as the Large Municipal representative on the committee.

Department Update (presented by Mr. Harris, highlights noted below)

- Recycling program essay contest winners selected
- Pursuing Waste Transfer Agreement with Northeast MD Waste Disposal Authority (proposal due in early June)
- Frederick County Responded with comments to the MDE on Zero Waste initiative draft
- Exploring potential for solar panel installation on Transfer Station roof
- Submitted an application for a MDE "Ecycling" grant of up to \$40,000 per county to be used to promote electronics recycling
- New Ecycling vendor to mobilize as soon as bid requirements are met; significant price decrease from previous vendor (\$60/ton decrease)
- Solid Waste Management Plan update required
 - Must address collection and recycling at "special events"
 - Special event organizer must provide for recycling of glass, metal, plastic containers, paper, and -- to the extent possible food scraps
 - Updates to SWMP must be made by Oct 1, 2015
 - DSWM will present updates to SWAC at a future meeting
- Credit Card and billing improvement initiatives are going well, with the credit card option

being particularly popular

Vice Chair Blood requested a copy of the County's response to the MDE Zero Waste draft.

Much interest expressed in the required SWMP update regarding recycling at "special events." All are interested in understanding what defines a "special event" that warrants application of the recycling requirement.

New Business:

Vice Chair Blood recommends increasing the frequency of SWAC meetings from bimonthly to monthly. Mr. Clark agreed and wishes to continue the SWAC meeting schedule discussion at the next meeting in August.

The next meeting will be held at the Landfill offices August 6, 2014. A tour of the facility is included in this meeting. A guard will be posted at the landfill gate to control and direct meeting attendees as the meeting will start after the landfill is closed.

The meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.